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FOLLOWING ARTICLE PUBLISHED IN THE GAZETT (LOCAL NEWSPAPER)  
THURSDAY, MARCH 16. QUOTE: NEW AIRPLANE LANDING SYSTEM TO GET  
DORVAL TEST. LONDON (CP) - BRITISH COMMUNICATIONS EXPERTS SAID  
YESTERDAY THEY WILL PIT A PROVEN, OPERATING SYSTEM AGAINST  
U.S. THEORY WHEN AUTOMATIC LANDING EQUIPMENT IS TESTED AT  
MONTREAL'S DORVAL AIRPORT NEXT MONTH.  
QUOTE. A SPECIAL INTERNATIONAL CIVIL AVIATION ORGANIZATION (ICAO)  
MEETING IS SCHEDULED FOR MONTREAL APRIL 4-21 TO ASSESS THE TESTS  
AND SELECT THE MOST EFFICIENT TECHNIQUE TO BE INSTALLED AT  
AIRPORT AROUND THE WORLD.  
QUOTE. THE BRITISH CONTENDER IS THE DOPPLER MICROWAVE LANDING  
SYSTEM (DMLS). THE U.S. WILL BE USING A SYSTEM BUILT BY THE  
BENDIX CORP. WHICH, THE BRITISH SAY, DOES NOT MEET ICAO  
SPECIFICATIONS AND WILL NOT BE THE SYSTEM THE U.S. WILL  
PROPOSE.  
QUOTE. "IN FACT, IF THE ICAO RULES IN FAVOR OF THE U.S.,  
IT WILL BE DEMONSTRATING FAITH THAT THE U.S. CAN COME  
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UP WITH AN EFFICIENT SYSTEM SOMETIME IN THE FUTURE," SAID  
TOM MCWIGGAN, DIRECTOR-GENERAL OF TELECOMMUNICATIONS FOR  
BRITAIN'S CIVIL AVIATION AUTHORITY.  
QUOTE. MCWIGGAN AND OTHERS AT A NEWS CONFERENCE SAID THE  
U.S. HAS RELEASED LITTLE DATA ON THEIR VARIOUS SYSTEMS  
PROPOSALS AND THAT SUCH DATA AS WAS RELEASED WAS NOT UP  
TO ICAO STANDARDS.

QUOTE. HE SAID THAT THE MONTREAL MEETING HAD BEEN CALLED  
"TO MAKE A SYSTEM SELECTION," BUT THAT IT WAS "ENTIRELY  
POSSIBLE" THAT ICAO MIGHT REACH A DECISION AT THAT TIME.  
QUOTE. "ONCE A DECISION IS MADE," HE SAID, "THERE WILL BE  
A PERIOD OF POSSIBLY TWO YEARS DURING WHICH SPECIFICATIONS  
WILL BE DRAWN UP."

QUOTE. A MOVIE AT THE NEWS CONFERENCE SHOWED A DMLS-EQUIPPED  
TEST AIRCRAFT MAKING AN AUTOMATIC "HANDS-OFF" LANDING DURING  
A THUNDERSTORM. THE NOSE WHEEL HIT THE CENTRE STRIP ON THE  
RUNWAY.

QUOTE. MCWIGGAN SAID THE DMLS HAS BEEN TESTED AT A DIFFERENT  
AIRPORT EACH MONTH ALL OVER EUROPE FROM LAST JUNE.

QUOTE. DURING THE DORVAL TESTS, WHICH ARE TO FOLLOW  
TESTING AT KENNEDY INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT IN NEW YORK, THE  
"NO-HANDS" TECHNIQUE WILL BE DEMONSTRATED BY A PLANE AT  
THE ROYAL AIRCRAFT ESTABLISHMENT.

QUOTE. A CANADIAN PLANE WILL DEMONSTRATE THE STEEP-APPROACH  
CHARACTERISTICS OF THE DMLS.  
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